



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Attorney Docket No. 076333-0238

Applicant: Robert H. Getzenberg

Title: RENAL NUCLEAR MATRIX PROTEINS,  
POLYNUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES ENCODING THEM,  
AND THEIR USE

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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated May 8, 2002, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Please amend the application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel claims 29 and 33-34, without prejudice or disclaimer.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121, please substitute claims 15 and 22 for the following rewritten version of the same claims, as amended. The attached "Marked-Up Version" of the claims explicitly shows the changes made.

15. (Thrice Amended) An antibody directed against a renal nuclear matrix protein or an immunogenic fragment thereof in a human subject, wherein said protein is absent in normal renal cells but present in cancerous renal cells and is selected from the group consisting of:

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